THE SOCIETY FOR PAUL RUSCH -- PARTICULARS OF THE FOUNDER

On July 16, 1984, the book called The Father of Kiyosato: a Biography of Paul Rusch was first published. It impressed the youth of Kiyosato with the many great achievements Paul made in Japan and Kiyosato. And on January 23rd of the following year, regular meetings were started by KEEP's resident directors and local youth volunteers. Up to that time, the regular functions such as the Establishment Memorial Ceremony were held in KEEP's inner circles; however, through mutual understanding, a goal was made with the approval of the region. to establish a closer relationship between KEEP and the local community; hence, the "50th Anniversary Festival of Paul Rusch's Arrival in Japan."

On November 14th, or just before the commemoration at Seisen Ryo, a panel discussion was held with the theme, "How Kiyosato Should Continue in the Spirit of Paul Rusch." The proceedings from this panel discussion were published as a final article in a series on this subject. It stated that the members, who were proud of their successful, international town of Kiyosato, would like to make it into a tourist resort, centered around Paul Rusch. The article addressed two main points: first, the Japanese should learn to live in a spirit of independence as Paul had taught us; second, they could help in Asia and thus continue Dr. Rusch's social projects.

Ten days later in the commemoration address, members discussed how KEEP had enabled the residents of Kiyosato to live more abundant, free, healthy and culturally rich lives through following the ideals of Dr. Rusch. For Africans, Asians, and others who suffer from hunger, poverty and disease, finding such a method for a better life is especially important. However, members of the society recognized that they had not yet attained all of their goals for Kiyosato.

Subsequently, with these main points as a basis, a movement began to work in the spirit of Paul Rusch.

The idea of forming the Paul Rusch Society was first expressed at a meeting on February 18th, 1985. At this meeting, Prefectural Planning Department Chief Sumio Ozawa , Prefectural Councilman Masashi Shirakura, Mayor Masatami Shimizu, and Town Councilman Masaichi Kosuda discussed the idea of making Paul Rusch and Kiyosato's youth a symbol of the region's development. In addition, plans were made to introduce Paul's methods and contributions to people all over Japan and to organize lecture meetings in order to get ideas for future projects. While discussing these plans, ideas emerged for creating the Paul Rusch Society. This discussion continued at the February 24th meeting of KEEP resident directors and local youth volunteers; the young adults took the initiative to form the society. With the KEEP staff acting as observers, firm action was taken to establish the Paul Rusch Society.

Although the society was formally established on March 13th

at a meeting of local young adults and KEEP staff, the goals and other particulars of the society were discussed at a meeting in the middle of June. By June the membership grew to include members from the entire southern region of Yatsugatake. At that time members prepared to publish The Biography of Paul Rusch. The organizational preparations such as the drawing up of rules and regulations as well as the election of officials occurred rapidly in order to allow for expansion of the society in early August.

On July 16th, the officers of the Paul Rusch Society Organizational Committee held a meeting at the Paul Rusch Memorial House. At this meeting, the organizational prospectus, membership enrollment, rules and regulations, membership dues and project plans were discussed. In addition, the officers decided to invite the KEEP staff to the opening ceremonies and hold them at Seisen Ryo on August 7th, 1988.

The primary goal of the society is to work with KEEP, Inc., on projects in order to expand and further Paul Rusch's ideals. The first year's projects were: international cultural exchange projects according to Paul Rusch's methods, lectures in southern Kitakoma County, expansion of sales of The Biography of Paul Rusch, and plans for the Paul Rusch Festival in 1988. In addition to the festival planning, which is progressing well, future plans include constructing a Paul Rusch Memorial Museum and holding of international events.

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ESTABLISHMENT PROSPECTUS OF THE PAUL RUSCH SOCIETY

This country has achieved a state of prosperity unprescedented in history; it has become a free and peaceful democratic nation. This prosperity can be attributed to the dedicated efforts of many leaders to develop in this manner, despite the many hardships it involved.

En route to this country's development, the great pioneer Dr. Paul Rusch established KEEP. Until his death at the age of 82, Dr. Rusch remained dedicated to the Japanese in both service and prayer. Dr. Rusch constructed the Kiyosato Rural Christian Community Center on the Yatsugatake plateau and gave new hope to the Japanese who had no food or will to live after the Pacific War. He emphasized the following four points as being necessary for the farmers' democratic reform: food, health, faith, and education for the youth.

Through Dr. Rusch's superior leadership in the high altitude regions, the agricultural revolution began with the nation-wide introduction of modern dairy farming and new types of milk, the art of breeding, and extensive use of farming machinery. The Yatsugatake plateau location became the birthplace of the post-war agricultural revolution.

Dr. Rusch not only constructed the Kiyosato Rural Christian Community Center but also a medical clinic, library, and agricultural school. In addition, he contributed to the welfare and cultural improvement of the area with his introduction of the Farmer's Festival/County Fair. He also invited the youth nation-wide to training camps and gave the hope for the future.

Dr. Rusch came to Japan in 1925; his friendship and understanding continued for over half a century. He established a basic international cultural exhange between Japanese and American citizens. In addition, through a colorful variety of organizations such as St. Paul's University, Brotherhood of St. Andrew in Japan, St. Luke's International Hospital, and Japan-American Football League to name but a few,he contributed to the building of Japanese civilization. Dr. Rusch's bold venture in his "Road to KEEP" will surely continue into the 21st century.

As members of this prosperous, democratic society, we are impressed by Dr. Rusch's passionate, lifetime devotion to the betterment of all mankind. As a result, we are committed to perpetuating his ideals and practices as we work for Japan's future. Because we take pride in the value that Dr. Rusch placed on democratic freedom and peace, and his great legacy "The Road to KEEP", we must pass on the flame of ideals which Dr. Rusch sparked to bind Japan and the United States together. In otherwords, we must convince the next generation to give the people of the surrounding countries in Asia hope for the future by using Paul Rusch's methods to show them how they can improve their lives.

In fulfilling these commitments, we are gathering supporters nation-wide to establish the Paul Rusch Society.

REGULATIONS OF THE PAUL RUSCH SOCIETY

I. APPELATION

A. This society shall be called the "Paul Rusch Society" and shall be based in the main office of the foundation, "KEEP, Inc."

B. This society, through regulations in general meetings, can establish offices and branches as the need requires them.

II. PURPOSE

The goal of this society is to contribute to local and world peace by following the ideals and practices of Dr. Paul Rusch.

III. PROJECTS

This society will work in cooperation with KEEP, Inc. to develop the projects necessary to realize the spirit and ideals of Dr. Paul Rusch.

IV. MEMBERS

Members must pay a membership fee approved by the society.

V. OFFICERS

The society will have the following officers:
1 president, a few vice-presidents, 1 head offical, 2 general officials, 2 accountants, a few other officials and 2 secretaries.

VI. OFFICIAL DUTIES

The president presides over the society. The vice-presidents assist the president. The President shall designate a vice-president who shall act in the absence of the president.

VII. OFFICIAL MEETINGS

There shall be official meetings within the society.

1. Official meetings shall consist of those mentioned in Article 11.
2. Official meetings shall be conducted by the President, and in the President's absence by the vice President designated by the President.
3. General meeting regulations shall apply when making resolutions.

VIII. ELECTIONS

The President, Vice Presidents, official, the head offical accountants and secretaries shall be elected in a general meeting.

IX. OFFICIAL TERM OF OFFICE
The term of office for officials of this society shall be 2 years

X. ADVISORS
Advisors may be appointed for as long as needed to give counsel during official meetings. Such appointments will end when their counsel is no longer needed.

XI. GENERAL MEETINGS
The society shall hold a general meeting once each year. Additional general meetings may be called as necessary.

XII. GENERAL MEETING PROCEEDINGS
General meeting proceedings shall be decided by a majority of those present.

XIII. RESOLUTION MATTERS
General meetings shall decide the following things:
1. Change in regulations
2. Development
3. Project plans
4. Financial matters

XIV. ACCOUNTING
1. This society's administrative and other operating expenses shall be allocated from society dues and donations.
2. Members shall contribute ¥5,000 in annual dues.
3. The fiscal year shall start yearly on April 1st and end March 31st of the following year.

XV. Items other than those established in these regulations and other matters necessary to the society's execution of business, shall be decided upon in general meetings.

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITING HOPES OF THE PAUL RUSCH SOCIETY

At the present the Paul Rusch Society includes only a small circle of members;however, we hope to expand our circle of membership throughout Japan and the world. To allow us to expand our membership, we ask for your cooperation and support.

LEVELS OF MEMBERSHIP

*Regular Membership -- entrance fee = ¥2,000 $56
annual dues ¥5,000
*Life Membership -- entrance fee = ¥100,000

** Upon admission members will receive a copy of the book The Biography of Paul Rusch

METHOD OF PAYMENT
1. Postal transfer: Kofu 2-3199
2. Bank tansfer: *Yamanashi Cho Bank
Kobuchizawa Branch (futsu) #247989
*Yamanashi Koyo Kumiai
Kiyosato Branch (futsu) #2003736
*Kofu Shinyo Bank
Nagasaka Branch (futsu) #150830
*Account Name for all accounts is "The Paul Rusch Society"
President: Kenkichi Ichiguro

Please make sure that your address is filled out on the transfer form completely and correctly so that we may send you your copy of The Biography of Paul Rusch.

Paul Rusch telephone cards are also on sale. Any one desiring telephone cards or extra copies of the book please write to the address below:

* The Father of Kiyosato -- Biography of Paul Rusch (500 pages)
¥1,600 plus ¥300 postage fee

* Paul Rusch Telephone Card 50 (Contribution Included0
¥1,000

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PRESENT PROJECTS

1. The sale of the book The Father of Kiyosato -- the Biography of Paul Rusch. Our goal is to sell 10,000 volumes of the book. Through this book, we hope to share the history of Paul Rusch's work in Japan as well as his ideals and methods with people throughout Japan and the world.

2. Paul Rusch Memorial Lecture meetings. We will host lectures on a variety of topics which will be of interest both locally and nation-wide.

3. International Cultural Exchange Projects. We are starting to raise funds to support high altitude farming in the village of Tulgao, Philippines. The present conditions in the Philippines are similar to those of Kiyosato 40 years ago.

4. The Paul Rusch Festival - Mt. Yatsugatake County Fair. Until 1973, a regional County Fair was held annually. This year the fair will reopen with new events that reflect the changes in the area. It is hoped that this year not only local residents but also people from all over Japan and the world will attend. The Paul Rusch Society is helping raise funds for the festival/fair as well as assisting with the events.

5. The Sale of Paul Rusch Telephone Cards. The Kiyosato Association for the Promotion of Tourism is publishing these cards. The Association will contribute the proceeds to the Paul Rusch Festival.

FUTURE PLANS

1. Construction of the Paul Rusch Memorial Museum

2. The Paul Rusch Festival - Mt. Yatsugatake County Fair in 1988

3. International Events in Yatsugatake